Statement of Purpose

The Visa Officer

The High Commission of Canada

Sub: Application requesting a study permit

Respected Sir/ Madam,

I, Akash Jignesh Doshi, express my gratitude for giving me the opportunity to convey my desire to study in Canada. Born and raised in a household that considers quality education indispensable, I am an individual who wants to focus his search for higher education at a prestigious international university. As I have also received a Letter of Acceptance from the University of Canada West for their MBA program. I am willing to seek visa approval by writing a letter of intent to you and I hope I would be able to convince you to allow me a visa permit based on my genuine desire to study in Canada.

Academic background

I am a highly motivated individual seeking to pursue further studies abroad. I have been interested in accounting and finance since the very beginning of my higher education. This further pushed me to pursue a career in this field.

I completed my secondary education at R N Shah High School, Mumbai, affiliated with the Indian Certificate of Secondary Education with 74.73% in 2013. I then completed my Higher Secondary Education at SVKM's Mithibai College of Arts Chauhan Institute Of Science And Amrutben Jivanlal College Of Commerce And Economics, Pune affiliated to the Maharashtra Board with 80.62% in 2015. This further helped me gain an in-depth understanding of my interested subjects and develop a better perspective of the field I want to build a career.

After completing my higher secondary education, I pursued a Bachelor's in Commerce from the same institution from 2015 to 2018, with a CGPA of C grade. During my bachelor's degree, I gained an indepth understanding of my career goals which helped me chart my future plans.

Professional record

Considering my professional path till now, I began my journey by working at Chirag P. Shah & Associates, Mumbai in April 2018 where I worked as an Accounts and Tax Trainee. During my tenure of 3 years there, I learned about the finalization of GST, tax and statutory audits, managing preparations of Books of accounts and filing Income tax returns and more.

My time as a trainee helped me build a solid foundation in financial management, including financial statements, bookkeeping, and tax preparation. This experience significantly helped me to develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills as I worked with clients to analyze their financial data and provide recommendations for improvement.

Moving further in my career trajectory, I joined KKC & Associates LLP, Mumbai in April 2021 as a Tax Executive, where I am currently working. My role here required me to manage and train individuals for statutory liability compliance, calculate GST liability, finalize GST input tax credit, file GST returns, conducting GST audits, and more. I was further involved in managing the accounts payable and invoice booking along with making core and non-core amendments in the GST Portal.

Additionally, working as an accounting and taxation professional helped me develop strong attention to detail and organizational skills, as accuracy is crucial in this field. I also learned valuable communication and interpersonal skills as I interacted with clients and colleagues on a frequent basis.

Over time, as I gained experience in this field, I learned more complex financial concepts, which helped me provide more nuanced and effective advice to clients. Another aspect was developing a deeper understanding of tax laws and regulations, which helped in better navigating the complexities of the tax system.

Why Canada?

As the Canadian education system places a strong emphasis on practical, hands-on learning, I found it particularly appealing. Another reason why I want to study in Canada is the cultural diversity that the country offers. Canada is a multicultural society, with people from all over the world living and working together.

Following that, post conducting online research and discussing with my colleagues, acquaintances and teachers, I focused my search on Canada and reviewed the course material carefully. Further, I specifically chose Canada owing to the welcoming environment that it has established for international students. The costs of living and tuition are also lower than in nations like the USA and UK without compromising the value or quality of education I will receive.

Another factor is the loving Canadians and their way of living. Also, academic degrees and diplomas from Canada are highly respected on a global scale. Canada has an active learning approach that will infuse my curriculum with enthusiasm and significance through committed conversation exchange, class involvement, case studies, and diverse on and off-campus experiences.

I am also aware of the programmes the Canadian government has implemented to help out international students. Hence, Canada is my only option for my graduate studies, and I have no doubt that going to school there will be beneficial for me. While applying for jobs at necessary Indian MNCs, having an international certificate can be a bonus because those with international credentials have substantially higher acceptance rates.

Why not India: As someone passionate about business and entrepreneurship, I am excited about the prospect of pursuing an MBA to further develop my knowledge and skills in these areas. Canada is known for its high-quality education system, and many of its universities are globally recognized for their MBA programs.

While India has a rich and diverse culture, and its education system has come a long way, there are still several deficiencies in the Indian education system that have led me to look beyond its borders. One

with a lack of emphasis on critical thinking and creativity, the Indian education system is often focused on rote memorization and following a set curriculum, leaving little room for independent thinking and innovation. In contrast, Canada's education system emphasizes independent learning, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills.

Further, I believe that studying in Canada would provide me with a unique and diverse perspective that would be beneficial in my future career. Further, it will help me to develop a global perspective and a deeper understanding of the complexities of the international business world.

Why Business Administration from University Canada West?

UCW is a very respected organization that constantly ranks among Canada's best institutions. The Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), gives me the assurance that the program is of the highest caliber and complies with all industry requirements.

I chose the University of Canada West as my preferred institution for pursuing an MBA in Finance, as the faculty members have an excellent profile and I believe that this program will offer me a great learning experience. This course will provide me with a strong foundation upon which I can build my knowledge further in the future. One of the unique features of this program is its customization based on my career aspirations, where I can select electives from both within and outside the school. This flexibility allows me to choose fundamental courses that can help me secure a successful career.

While most Canadian business schools offer a general MBA program, this college offers a specialized MBA program in Finance, which provides a global business environment that helps me gain a better understanding of business needs.

Apart from the regular classroom discussions, the program offers experiential learning opportunities, where I can visit various business places and contribute to improving their financial processes. Through this program, I can build a vast network of friends and colleagues, which will be beneficial in the long run.

Next, the MBA program at UCW is built to give students a hands-on, practical education. I can apply the knowledge I learn in the classroom to actual business situations because of the program's emphasis on real-world case studies and projects. My ability to think critically, solve problems, and make decisions—skills necessary for success in the professional world—will be aided by this.

Reasons to return to India

Family Ties

My mother, living alone in India, has adroitly handled the finances and has inspired me to pursue an MBA to expand my knowledge. I feel a sense of responsibility to care for my mother in the future, and our close emotional bond further motivates me to return to her. As she lives alone in India, I consider the choice of returning to her highly as I'm close to her. This reason has more of a psychological and emotional bias than a personal one.

Moreover, she has always been my motivation in my life. Seeing her struggle with finances developed my interest in Finance and taxation as I used to help her with her finance taxes. Her way of handling and managing finances and taxes made me further pursue a career in accounting and taxation. Additionally, my mother has amassed a substantial collection of valuable assets in India, and as the only son, it falls upon me to manage them.

Alongside this, I am a highly motivated individual with a keen interest in quantitative research, possessing exceptional analytical and presentation skills that are particularly relevant and valuable in the field of finance. On the professional front, being equipped with a coveted degree from Canada will increase my job opportunities in the finance and investment sector, especially in this post covid economic scenario.

Future Goals

My genuine intention to pursue an MBA in Canada as I prepare to enter the highly competitive business world is to gain global exposure and utilize the knowledge and skills for lucrative business opportunities in India. As one of the most sought-after professions in India, business management professionals receive a high salary, and the Indian market is exceptionally conducive for such professionals. Employers in India hold Canadian MBAs in high regard, and the course has equipped me to take on challenges in international business.

My aim is to hold managerial positions in multinational corporations and lead and manage functional or financial teams. I am open to various roles, such as operations research analyst, business operations manager, business analyst, management analyst, financial analyst, operations manager, or logistics manager. In the future, I aspire to work in accounting or taxation. Upon returning to India, I am determined to secure a job with one of the esteemed Indian companies, including Mahindra & Mahindra, ITC Limited, Reliance Industries, Tata Consultancy Services, or Aditya Birla Group. With increased experience, I anticipate a significant rise in my compensation package, which typically ranges from INR 8 to 10 Lakhs annually.

Given all of these circumstances, I am confident that the international MBA degree will give me the decisive edge I need to pursue the fulfilling career in business administration that I have long envisioned.

Ability to fund my education

My study in Canada is sponsored by me and my family including my mother. Also, I have paid 23,945 CAD as the tuition fee for the first year and 10,000 CAD for GIC. My mother has an annual income of Rs. 4,98,160 INR. I have 13,52,196.04 INR in my saving account.

Language Proficiency

I have passed my IELTS exam with an overall score of 6.5 scoring no band below 6.0 (Listening: 7.5, Reading: 6.0, Writing: 6.0, Speaking: 7.0). Please find my scorecard enclosed for your kind consideration.

Conclusion

This will help me become a qualified professional flourishing in the field of business after earning a Master of Business Administration from the University of Canada west. I will also have matured as a person, and nothing will stand in my way of obtaining a well-paying job in India. For the upcoming obstacles in real life, I would be ready. Also, I will be able to support the development of my country and the community.

I am sure that my educational background, professional experience, and enthusiasm for learning will help me excel in my studies and make a positive contribution to society and the economy of Canada. After finishing my studies, I intend to return to my home nation and use the information and abilities I've gained there to help my home nation prosper.

With this, I conclude writing the Statement of Purpose, which I wrote in all seriousness. I hope I was able to compose it adequately and that it gives the relevant immigration authorities the right understanding of my intentions. I also hope they have no trouble issuing me a student visa. Looking forward to your favourable response.

With Warm Regards,
Akash Jignesh Doshi